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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment After Final in response to the Final Official Action mailed January 27, 2005. Applicants have cancelled Claims 22-38 without prejudice to narrow the issues for further consideration by the Examiner or for appeal. Applicants request entry of the present Amendment After Final as Applicants submit that the present amendment does not raise new issues and narrows the issues for further consideration or appeal.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s)-including fees for net addition of claims-are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 09-0461.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.